

Plau am See -- Picture-Perfect On Lake Plau

Wow, I'm having a serious case of Déjà vu in regard to Plau am See, because I know I've been to this town before. Oh well, I'll just have to meander around until it comes back to me.

Oh well, there are far worse places to spend the day. ;-)

Duh, it just hit me — it's on [Lake Plau](#), along the Müritz-Elde Waterway. I'd say that's besides the point, but that's all part of Plau am See's charm. There's a promenade area offering up views of this very famous lake.

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There's more to Plau am See than just its location on the banks of a lake, ya know. It's got this really cool castle tower with walls three meters thick. The Castle Tower does double duty as a museum these days, where you can learn all about its medieval origins.

The tower can't take up all your time in Plau am See, oh no. This is a climatic health resort area, so you need to make time to scope out the Kneipp area. And if that's not enough to make you feel better, then give the golfing, hiking, paragliding, or horseback riding a try. You could always bike along a section of the Mecklenburg Lake Bike Trail, or give a go to one of the Nordic Walking routes.

By golly, I'm tired and I didn't even get into all that.

Come to think of it, maybe you should leave some time to do a guided Old Town Tour. They're available twice a week, taking you to not only the tower — but along to some of the town's half-timbered houses, its Renaissance styled Town Hall, the former synagogue from the 19th century,

and the Gothic Church of St. Mary.

If you're going to venture further into the town's other districts, I'd suggest you go see some of their village churches. I truly believe you'll love the stone & brick architecture of Church Barkow, and the stone wall surrounding the uniquely constructed Church Retzow.

It might also be a good idea to come to Plau am See for some of its annual festivals, or other cultural events. Every summer the Church of St. Mary's turns itself into a music venue for concerts, and in June there's the Tractor Event full of Classic Cars.

Ugh, I could kick myself for not remembering what a wonderful place Plau am See really is. I promise, I'll never forget you again. ;-)